

AMA-CHEWER

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PROGRAMS

- Feb. 4th Auction. At the same place the last one was held- at the MidStates Poultry house at 326 W. 17th St. The lot has been enlarged there so there will be more parking. Come, bring your old usable items, well marked for sale and bring along your cash for picking up those items that you can use. Past rules stand, 10% for the club-building fund-and a minimum may be set for items of high value.
- Feb. 11th Business meeting of the club.
- Feb. 14th Not a club function but Tech Alumni night at the Civic Theater. Take your wife or YL out this Valentine's day night and get away from radio. Caskey has tickets at \$2.00 each. Everyone is welcome, not just Tech graduates.
- Feb. 18th Novice night. John Eastman will be in charge of this year's Novice program and a new series will start. He asks your help in putting on this program each month.
- Feb. 25th Feature program of the month. This meeting in charge of Alvey Pittman who will want help in getting ahold of program material for this meeting each month.

Unless otherwise noted the meetings will be held at the Marine Armory at 2830 East Riverside Drive. Everyone is welcome. Applications for membership are available from the secretary. A membership drive will soon be announced.

Coming in after the above is the notice that Ham exams will be held Wednesday at the Federal Building.

Programs will follow the pattern of last year, 1st Fri. of each month films, 2nd Fri. business meeting, 3rd Fri. Novice night, 4th Fri. feature program.

NEW OFFICERS

The following officers were installed in January, the slate nominated by the nominating committee, since there were no other slates nominated.

President Guy Oakes W9UQW
Vice Pres. Jim Sugioka W9CKB
Secy. Jack Robertson W9JMD
Treas. Claude Richie, W9TKV

Chief Opr. Don McFarling W9KWN
Director W. C. Herkless W9URC
Director Alvey Pittman W9JJC

AUDITING COMMITTEE

The auditing committee was named as follows.

Jack Robertson, John Jones, Claude Richie.

ATTENDANCE CONTEST

The winners of the 1954 attendance contest were Jack Robertson and Ralph Mays tied for first place. Burt Seigel was the runner up. Nice going fellows and a tip of the hat to all those whose attendance records were just a bit behind those fellows.

SILENT KEY

Al Rottet, W9WHU passed away since our last publication date.

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BIRTHS

Born to Mildred And Ron Williams, a daughter Barbara Ellen, weight 6 pounds 8 ounces. All doing well.

CONVENTION

Just a long distance reminder that the Central Division convention to be held at the Oliver Hotel in South Bend in October of this year.

Speaking of the Central Division, Harry Matthews is the new Central Division director.

SICK LIST

Recovered by now but Howard Severeid has been into and out of the hospital for a successful operation. Alvey Pittman has a rough two weeks of it, being in bed several times and even slipping and knocking himself out at out work.

GRAHAM ELECTRONICS

You will have probably received from Graham Electronics their club offer. Until March 31, 1955 they will pay into the Radio Club treasury 15% of the purchase price of Amateur Gear costing \$25.00 or more. When buying any items running up into this amount be sure to see that the payment voucher names the Indianapolis Radio Club Inc. as the club. Let's see what amount we can get to the club building fund by this generous offer of Graham's Electronics.

MARION COUNTY CENTURY CLUB

You will recall the announced Marion County Century Club announced last year. At long last we print the names of those who have made the grade. Remember, the contest is going on yet so if you haven't gotten your first 25 contacts for the first certificate get busy on it and get both it and work up to the full indorsement.

Charles Lyon 100	Guy Oakes 50	George Bones 50
W. Herkless 50	Al Rottet 50 (Died)	Al Ferris 50
John Jones 25	Jerry Todd 25	Glehn Barr 25
Vern Robertson 25	Les Bannon 25	Clif Singer 25
Bert Siegel 25	Howard Severeid 25	Harry Butler 25
Steve Hritsko 25	Dave Hale 25	

There they are, 17 in all with one making the full Century mark, how soon before more can be added to that mark and more start in at the 25 mark heading for the full 100. If you have the marion county contacts and have not turned in a copy of your log do it at the next meeting so that your name can be added to the list and your certificate issued. It will make a nice decoration on the shack wall.

NIGHT SCHOOL

Tech night school has started again and those who have been wanting to get in on the code and theory classes in radio are urged to get in on this calss that they offer. Ron Williams is the teacher this semester.

TESTS NOVICE AND TECHNICIAN

The Indianapolis Radio Club has set up a testing board for those wanting to take tests for Novice and Technician licenses. The following members fo the club have offered to conduct the tests. Contact the one nearest to your home. East-Herkless, W9URC 3424 N. Grant Ch.3022. North or East-Jack Andrews W9YWE 5306 Richart, also H. M. Peterson, W9ZRK 4423 Longworth Ch. 9385. South Vern Robertson, W9DCD 1008 Brodbury GA 7079. West Howard Severeid, W9DPL 2431 E. Riverside Dr. WA 4 2184, West Don McFarling W9AWN 1407 Groff.

CLUB DOINGS

Since last published the club has been rolling along. A gift exchange at club before Christmas showed a remarkable exchange of gifts. At this exchange a 20 pound turkey donated by Don McFarling was raffled off and won by Claude Richie. Our new officers took over the reins the 7th of Jan and have been getting the feel of the reins. A vote was taken at last meeting to determine frequency of meetings and it was overwhelming that they be held every week. Following this vote it was decided to continue much the same as last year in so far as having just one meeting of a feature nature each month. Lighter programs being presented on the other Fridays such as movies on the First Friday, Business meeting the second Friday, Novice night the third Friday and the main program the fourth Friday.

A code tape machine was purchased and is being used in various ways. At present the machine is used a half hour before club (7:30 to 8:00) to get code speeds up. Lack of interest in this may necessitate a change and it is being planned to have on the air sending with the tape. If you want this pre-club practice continued be sure to get there early and make use of the offer. The machine is for rent between club uses.

Directors meetings were announced as being the Monday night preceding the 2nd Friday of each month.

The club's auditing committee reported a club balance of \$1,015.66 in the treasury at the close of Ron Williams term as club treasurer. The building fund had \$1,181.75 in it at the start of 1954 and with a \$50 pledge paid, \$17.18 in labels (Keep on saving them it is beginning to have an effect) \$28.28 from club 10% from the past auction two turkey raffles, (Turkeys by courtesy of Don McFarling) \$49.50, three interest periods on deposited money in the building fund amounting to \$17.53. The grand total to date then in the building fund is \$1,344.24. That is a bigger sum than we had a year ago but it still needs to be larger. Any pledges paid in now will swell that amount. This brings us to the point that when the fund was set up that those making and paying their pledges would be able to request a return of their money if the club had not started the club house by August of this year. So, let us get up and doing so that we may get this under way. Once it is started more will come into the fund we are sure and then the club house would be a reality.

It has been proposed at club that we have a pitch in dinner at which all the YL's, XYL's, mothers, etc turn out. A place is being arranged and as soon as this is accomplished it will be announced. Let's make this a big turn out and get acquainted with each other families, then when we get that place of our own we can continue these meetings and get to know and work together better still with the families that make up the club membership.

INVITATION

If you haven't been out to club lately why not drop out one of these nights and see what is going on, maybe you can get interested again and help out. Everyone is welcome.

LET US KNOW

what you are doing, what you want to see or hear at club, what activities you want the club to take part in, what the club is or is not doing that you would like to see changed. Help to make the club what you want it to mean to you.